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## **Applications for Illegal Dump and Litter Abatement Grants Sought by Division of Waste Management**

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (Aug. 6, 2018)** - The Energy and Environment Cabinet's (EEC) Division of Waste Management (DWM) is calling for grant applications for two of its signature programs, illegal dump cleanup and litter cleanup along public roads.

"These popular grant programs have played an important role in maintaining the natural beauty of communities across the Commonwealth and in helping improve Kentuckian's quality of life," said EEC Secretary Charles Snavely.

Since its inception in 2006, the Illegal Open Dump Grant has funded the cleanup of more than 2,000 illegal dump sites. State and local governments have also

cleaned more than 2.6 million miles of roadways since 2003 through the Litter Abatement Grant program.

## Cleanup of Illegal Dumps

Counties that are in compliance with their five-year solid waste management plans can apply for funds to clean up illegal open dumps.

Grant funding comes from the Kentucky Pride Fund, which is underwritten by a \$1.75 per ton fee on municipal solid waste disposed of in Kentucky's contained landfills. If sufficient funds are not available to award every request, grant awards will be prioritized according to: location of the dump relative to sensitive receptors or protected areas, the relative hazard posed by the contents of the dump, and by the size of the dump.

Applications must be received by Lisa Evans at the Division of Waste Management no later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2018. The complete, signed, original application and any supporting documentation must be submitted in order for the application to be complete.

Each grant requires a 25percent local match. Grant application packets are being sent by email to county judge-executives and solid waste coordinators. For more information, contact Lisa Evans by calling 502-782-6355 or emailing lisa.evans@ky.gov.

## **Litter Abatement**

Grant requests for litter cleanup will be accepted from counties in compliance with their five-year solid waste management plans and from incorporated cities which, by solid waste ordinance or other means, provide municipal solid waste collection service.

The Litter Abatement Grant program is supported by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Road Fund and Highway Construction Contingency Fund.

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